

MONTHLY STATISTICAL SUMMARY FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA - MAY, 1963

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POPULATION ESTIMATES

Whole State: at 31.12.1962

Males - 389,304 Females - 376,411 Persons - 765,715

Metropolitan: at 31.12.1962

Persons - 439,000

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS

Particulars	APRIL				Four Months ended APRIL			
	1963		1962		1963		1962	
	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)
Marriages	550	8.70	367	5.95	2,125	8.42	1,869	7.59
Births	1,413	22.34	1,255	20.34	5,780	22.89	5,587	22.69
Deaths	381	6.02	419	6.79	1,719	6.81	1,852	7.52
Infant Mort- ality (b)	26	18.40	34	27.09	121	20.93	133	23.81

(a) Equivalent annual rate per 1,000 of population except for Infant Mortality which represents rate per 1,000 live births.

(b) Deaths under one year.

TRADE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE)

Expressed in Terms of Australian Currency

Item	IMPORTS				EXPORTS (including Ships' Stores)			
	APRIL		Ten Months ended APRIL		APRIL		Ten Months ended APRIL	
	1963	1962	1963	1962	1963	1962	1963	1962
Oversea	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	4,731	3,906	46,390	40,008	12,305	9,995	104,328	122,916
Interstate	10,171	8,702	111,828	93,680	3,710	1,866	36,217	34,489
Total:	14,902	12,608	158,218	133,688	16,015	11,861	140,545	157,405

LAND SETTLEMENT

Crown Land Transactions	MAY		Five Months ended MAY	
	1963	1962	1963	1962
	acres	acres	acres	acres
Land Conditionally Alienated	202,138	139,804	383,194	287,978
Pastoral, Special and Miscellaneous Leases Issued by Lands Department	806,630	2,236,296	4,548,499	9,686,675

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE : CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND

Item	MAY		Eleven Months ended MAY	
	1963	1962	1963	1962
	£	£	£	£
Revenue	8,259,304	6,197,444	69,059,204	67,525,121
Revenue per Head of Population	10.7	8.2	90.4	90.7
Expenditure	7,233,991	6,449,666	72,127,218	68,738,137
Expenditure per Head of Population	9.4	8.6	94.4	92.3

SAVINGS BANKS

Depositors' Balances	At the end of MAY		
	1963	1962	1961
	£	£	£
Total	101,825,834	87,611,191	79,181,737
Per Head of Population	131.7	116.4	107.7

TRADING BANKS

Year	Average Weekly Clearings (£ million)											
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1961	25.5	22.7	23.4	23.5	24.0	21.6	23.1	21.6	23.2	24.6	23.8	26.9
1962	25.9	26.5	26.4	24.8	25.9	24.1	26.3	24.6	24.8	27.2	26.3	27.1
1963	30.4	25.8	27.7	30.4	29.1							

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Registrations effected at the Office of Land Titles and Deeds			MAY		Eleven Months ended MAY	
			1963	1962	1963	1962
Transfers	No.		2,659	2,332	23,142	20,072
	£		7,735,821	4,763,053	56,722,211	39,969,960
Mortgages	No.		2,176	1,917	17,976	15,820
	£		5,809,611	4,769,859	45,556,681	35,875,865
Discharges of Mortgages	No.		1,567	1,455	13,316	12,391

SALE OF GOODS AND SALES TAX COLLECTED

Item	Period of Receipt of Return			
	MAY		Eleven Months ended MAY	
	1963	1962	1963	1962
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Sales Exempt from Tax	17,188	18,801	158,767	139,720
Net Taxable Sales	5,977	6,501	64,035	56,829
Tax Collected	818	845	8,715	8,085

COMPANIES REGISTERED

Type of Company		MAY		Eleven Months ended MAY	
		1963	1962	1963	1962
Local	No.	31	34	407	352
Nominal Capital	£.	750,050	3,533,000	31,563,550	27,012,700
Foreign	No.	11	17	164	183

BANKRUPTCY

Item	Eleven Months ended MAY					
	1963			1962		
	No.	Liabilities	Assets	No.	Liabilities	Assets
Sequestration Orders	155	236,632	32,364	139	307,352	90,253
Compositions, Assignments and Deeds of Arrangement (a)	67	916,775	993,799	86	556,421	395,784

(a) Under Parts XI and XII of Bankruptcy Act.

OPERATIONS OF WESTERN AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS

Item	APRIL		Ten Months ended APRIL	
	1963	1962	1963	1962
Gross Earnings	£ 1,465,400	1,511,700	13,573,600	14,562,500
Operating Expenses	£ 1,324,001	1,180,879	12,856,236	12,954,590
Train Miles Run	626,964	667,328	6,221,419	6,638,885
Motor Bus Miles	(a) 128,277	(b) 115,283	(c) 1,329,242	(d) 1,227,896
Passenger Journeys -				
Train	887,611	900,046	9,581,397	9,851,069
Motor Bus	20,726	21,216	220,590	214,000
Tonnage Carried -				
Goods (excl. Livestock) -				
Paying	420,211	431,817	3,736,921	4,234,832
Free (Departmental)	27,472	51,388	456,960	495,190
Livestock	7,864	7,163	108,814	108,177
Total:	455,547	490,368	4,302,695	4,838,199
Net Ton Mileage of -				
Goods (excl. Livestock) -				
Paying	68,440,964	69,060,756	597,212,705	657,166,978
Free (Departmental)	2,950,834	4,210,072	47,351,770	51,060,586
Livestock	1,023,006	815,770	14,635,263	14,769,850
Total:	72,414,804	74,086,598	659,199,738	722,997,414

(a) 4 weeks ended 20th April

(c) Period 1st July to 20th April

(b) 4 weeks ended 21st April

(d) Period 1st July to 21st April

MINE PRODUCTION OF GOLD (a)

Item	APRIL		Four Months ended APRIL	
	1963	1962	1963	1962
Quantity	Fine oz. 61,825	58,868	262,527	266,022
Value (Aust. Currency)	£. 966,021	919,810	4,101,985	4,156,590
Dividends reported by Gold Mining Companies	£. nil	nil	201,563	227,344

(a) Including gold contained in gold-bearing materials exported. Value is in terms of Australian currency, excluding amounts realized by the Gold Producers' Association Limited on sales of Western Australian gold and amount of subsidy paid by the Commonwealth Government.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

(1) NEW VEHICLES REGISTERED

Period	Metropolitan Traffic Area					Whole State (a)				
	Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles
1958	5,794	762	1,942	15	1,306	9,548	1,290	4,784	43	1,860
1959	5,957	1,205	2,454	20	1,615	9,785	1,962	5,684	55	2,187
1960	8,172	1,774	2,403	27	1,053	12,713	2,951	5,655	66	1,470
1961	6,947	1,871	2,221	30	591	10,670	3,228	5,104	70	903
1962	11,161	3,220	2,786	47	651	16,670	5,151	6,036	106	898
1962 -										
April	737	182	205	4	40	1,122	300	456	8	64
May	980	295	281	6	68	1,354	418	552	13	87
June	1,173	274	282	3	41	1,669	447	538	8	71
July	778	250	238	6	42	1,206	386	529	8	62
August	1,131	329	214	5	37	1,709	475	457	7	54
September	976	328	214	2	46	1,473	520	462	11	59
October	1,140	386	232	4	71	1,696	576	572	6	94
November	1,051	348	248	4	40	1,619	580	561	6	56
December	953	253	197	6	60	1,530	468	456	10	71
1963 -										
January	893	271	161	3	65	1,348	422	361	11	92
February	1,017	309	246	5	45	1,458	476	548	17	69
March	934	271	247	6	45	1,360	453	579	10	71
April	852	282	249	5	44	1,223	438	551	9	59

(2) MOTOR VEHICLES IN USE (EFFECTIVE REGISTRATIONS)

Date (as at end of Month)	Metropolitan Traffic Area				Whole State (a)			
	Cars (including Station Wagons)	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars (including Station Wagons)	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles
1959 -								
June	75,203	25,222	584	9,080	118,112	66,617	1,213	13,411
December	78,759	25,955	571	9,416	123,293	68,017	1,191	13,559
1960 -								
June	81,636	26,058	554	9,422	127,863	69,131	1,194	13,609
December	86,582	26,507	561	9,068	134,220	70,320	1,220	13,097
1961 -								
June	89,189	26,699	565	8,703	138,187	70,908	1,237	12,689
December	93,110	27,135	576	8,486	143,827	71,934	1,264	12,244
1962 -								
June	97,977	27,490	585	8,285	151,013	73,454	1,294	12,052
December	105,559	28,174	605	8,093	160,460	74,492	1,303	11,632
1963 -								
January	107,359	28,392	604	8,064	159,265	72,640	1,190	11,281
February	108,123	28,394	608	8,025	161,268	73,485	1,322	11,373
March	108,602	28,413	609	7,981	163,031	74,345	1,330	11,459
April	109,904	28,588	612	7,907	163,800	73,920	1,334	11,124

(a) Includes Commonwealth-owned vehicles other than those of Defence Services.

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BUILDING PERMITS AND APPROVALS

Period	New Houses and Flats (a)				Other New Buildings			Grand Total, including Additions & Alterations		
	Private	Govt.	Total		Private	Govt.	Total	Private	Govt.	Total
	No.	No.	No.	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
1960-61	4,791	1,327	6,118	18,860	6,566	7,531	14,097	24,924	11,143	36,067
1961-62	5,016	1,867	6,883	21,711	6,010	8,690	14,700	25,365	14,468	39,883
1962:										
May	499	104	603	1,935	487	760	1,247	2,427	1,158	3,585
June	405	81	486	1,638	577	962	1,539	2,201	1,250	3,451
July	500	116	616	1,985	1,035	1,021	2,056	2,952	1,407	4,359
August	444	148	592	2,060	794	515	1,309	2,838	941	3,779
September	458	125	583	1,904	475	462	937	2,347	825	3,172
October	540	225	765	2,367	691	575	1,266	2,895	1,122	4,017
November	375	114	489	1,615	584	286	870	2,155	627	2,782
December	376	52	428	1,423	647	558	1,205	2,160	726	2,886
1963:										
January	374	115	489	1,587	462	253	715	2,027	569	2,596
February	528	74	602	1,859	956	121	1,057	2,915	342	3,257
March	577	105	682	2,027	846	1,084	1,930	2,864	1,398	4,262
April	544	191	735	2,389	628	679	1,307	2,826	1,206	4,032
May	560	195	755	2,523	618	560	1,178	2,928	1,123	4,051

(a) Individual Units.

BUILDING OPERATIONS

The figures in the following two tables cover the operations of all builders who accept contracts for the construction of new buildings, "day-labour" building by Government Agencies and the activities of "Owner-Builders".

(1) NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

Period	Dwellings (a)				Factories		Other		Total	
	Owner-Built		By Contractors etc.							
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000
1958	1,371	3,884	4,638	13,978	146	1,851	714	10,735	6,869	30,448
1959	1,452	3,880	4,657	14,134	138	986	731	9,376	6,978	28,376
1960	1,103	3,013	5,363	16,859	161	2,224	814	11,797	7,441	33,893
1961	1,075	2,963	5,258	17,272	126	1,744	858	10,965	7,317	32,944
1962	989	2,902	6,035	21,615	167	1,673	970	15,799	8,161	41,989
1962 -										
June Qr.	247	743	1,451	5,201	34	316	220	3,754	1,952	10,014
Sept. Qr.	202	666	1,725	5,844	53	597	261	5,632	2,241	12,739
Dec. Qr.	262	715	1,742	6,853	51	543	259	3,436	2,314	11,547
1963 -										
March Qr.	239	738	1,360	5,002	29	577	257	3,186	1,885	9,503

(a) Includes Shop Dwellings, Flats (Individual Units) and Other Residentials excluded from Table (2) below.

(2) HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

(Includes Owner-Built Houses)

Period	Houses Completed - Classified according to Material of Outer Walls									
	Brick, Stone Cement etc.		Wood or Mainly Wood		Fibro-Cement or Mainly Fibro-Cement		Other		Total	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000
1958	3,764	12,501	41	115	1,935	4,547	3	4	5,743	17,167
1959	3,762	12,327	28	58	2,066	4,780	6	13	5,862	17,178
1960	4,582	14,972	21	60	1,573	3,911	5	7	6,181	18,950
1961	4,287	14,834	15	32	1,459	3,820	103	82	5,864	18,768
1962	5,070	17,836	91	395	1,320	3,676	15	26	6,496	21,933
1962 -										
June Qr.	1,244	4,291	59	314	324	947	4	8	1,631	5,560
Sept. Qr.	1,446	5,141	8	21	322	904	3	9	1,779	6,075
Dec. Qr.	1,396	5,037	15	40	350	975	5	5	1,766	6,057
1963 -										
March Qr.	1,149	4,226	21	58	319	960	1	1	1,490	5,245

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
PERTH METROPOLITAN AREA

(Base of Each Index Series : Year 1952-53 = 100)

Period	Group Index Numbers					Com- bined Index (All Groups)
	Food	Clothing and Drapery	Housing	Household Supplies and Equipment	Mis- cellan- eous	
Year ended June						
1958	114.4	105.7	126.0	105.7	118.3	113.6
1959	115.2	107.2	130.3	105.9	118.7	114.7
1960	118.4	108.2	133.5	107.1	120.9	116.9
1961	124.4	110.8	141.7	107.3	125.2	121.2
1962	123.5	111.7	146.4	107.3	125.3	121.6
Quarters:						
1962 - March	123.4	111.8	147.1	107.1	124.9	121.5
June	124.2	111.5	147.8	107.2	124.9	121.8
September	124.7	111.7	148.8	107.2	124.8	122.1
December	122.8	111.8	150.9	106.9	124.9	121.7
1963 - March	123.7	112.0	151.2	106.9	126.0	122.3

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT (a)

(Excluding Wage Earners in Rural Industry, Female Private
Domestics and Personnel in Defence Forces.)

(Thousands)

Month	Males	Females	Persons	Month	Males	Females	Persons
<u>1961:</u>				<u>1962 (Cont.):</u>			
May	142.8	50.6	193.4	May	146.6	52.0	198.6
June	142.2	49.9	192.1	June	146.5	51.8	198.3
July	142.3	49.8	192.1	July	146.5	52.0	198.5
August	143.0	49.9	192.9	August	146.5	52.0	198.5
September	143.6	50.1	193.7	September	147.3	52.6	199.9
October	143.1	50.4	193.5	October	147.3	52.5	199.8
November	144.1	50.9	195.0	November	148.0	53.4	201.4
December	143.7	50.6	194.3	December	148.9	52.8	201.7
<u>1962:</u>				<u>1963:</u>			
January	144.1	50.4	194.5	January	149.1	52.3	201.4
February	145.0	50.9	195.9	February	149.2	52.3	201.5
March	146.5	52.0	198.5	March	149.2	53.1	202.3
April	145.9	52.0	197.9	April	149.2	53.4	202.6

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1962 are subject to revision.

INDEX OF FACTORY EMPLOYMENT (a)

(Base: 1928/29 - 19,799 Employees = 100)

Month	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963
January	232	231	229	234	242	243	253
February	235	233	231	237	241	245	252
March	236	234	233	238	241	248	254
April	234	233	233	237	241	247	254
May	234	230	232	238	239	247	
June	231	228	229	237	236	246	
July	229	229	231	239	235	247	
August	229	229	232	240	237	247	
September	232	230	233	243	240	249	
October	232	232	234	242	241	250	
November	233	231	235	244	243	251	
December	232	231	235	243	242	253	

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1962 are subject to revision.

UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS

Period	Registered for Employment (a)			Persons receiving Benefits (b)				Amount Paid in Benefits			
	Males	Females	Persons	Unemployment	Sickness	Special		Unemployment	Sickness	Special	
						Ordinary	Migrants			Ordinary	Migrants
								£	£	£	£
1957-58	4,349	1,073	5,422	2,330	508	101	-	482,735	130,959	18,322	-
1958-59	5,122	1,239	6,361	2,852	594	125	-	654,160	159,230	23,110	-
1959-60	4,021	1,217	5,238	2,512	700	135	-	564,492	163,528	23,897	-
1960-61	3,753	1,241	4,991	2,154	665	148	-	479,159	153,348	22,196	-
1961-62	4,168	1,610	5,778	2,932	685	151	-	726,082	190,706	26,705	-
1962 May	3,249	1,761	5,010	2,428	732	135	-	59,038	18,033	2,529	-
June	3,570	1,750	5,320	2,667	714	127	-	55,309	19,437	2,336	-
July	3,835	1,747	5,582	2,789	740	130	-	66,587	20,514	2,543	-
August	3,327	1,654	4,981	2,511	766	136	-	68,149	21,787	2,671	-
September	3,124	1,487	4,611	2,094	802	129	-	52,315	17,861	2,144	-
October	2,978	1,484	4,462	2,051	814	133	69	50,778	23,298	2,615	506
November	3,649	2,108	5,757	2,059	789	137	131	49,268	19,299	2,318	1,403
December	4,431	2,303	6,734	2,945	767	125	30	55,849	20,379	2,330	926
1963 January	5,444	2,746	8,190	3,315	741	130	22	69,574	20,093	2,178	1,089
February	4,539	2,583	7,122	3,094	813	131	-	68,096	21,124	2,019	98
March	3,740	2,464	6,204	2,806	795	125	-	62,200	20,475	2,016	6
April	3,275	2,251	5,526	2,699	804	120	-	60,418	22,459	2,430	-
May	3,461	2,193	5,654	2,603	788	124	-	57,974	21,761	2,151	-

(a) Source: Department of Labour and National Service. Annual figures are the average of numbers registered at the end of each month.

(b) On the last Saturday of each month. Annual figures are the average of persons at end of each week.

Date of Operation	Metropolitan Area			South-West Land Division			Goldfields and Rest of State											
	Male			Female			Male			Female								
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.						
22/4/63	15.	0.	3	11.	5.	2	14.	18.	8	11.	4.	0	14.	12.	11	10.	19.	8

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERINGS AND MEAT PRODUCTION

(1) SLAUGHTERINGS (Number)

Period	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs
April 1963	18,415	2,093	115,477	49,104	14,939
1962	14,531	1,736	119,784	53,376	23,060
10 Months ended April, 1963	216,514	20,828	1,377,161	753,882	204,462
1962	166,928	15,126	1,242,738	926,426	221,792

(2) MEAT PRODUCTION (a) (Tons)

Period	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pork
April, 1963	3,448	81	2,108	669	692
1962	2,881	66	2,240	721	1,106
10 Months ended April, 1963	42,025	930	25,211	10,332	10,017
1962	35,149	680	23,941	13,301	11,163

(a) Dressed carcass weight of livestock slaughtered for local consumption and export - includes meat used in smallgoods, canned meat, and bacon and ham.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

The term "Metropolitan" refers to the Metropolitan Traffic Area.

Period	Non-Casualty Accidents (a)		Casualty Accidents		Total Accidents (a)		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	Metro- politan	Whole State	Metro- politan	Whole State	Metro- politan	Whole State	Metro- politan	Whole State	Metro- politan	Whole State
1958	6,614	8,691	2,412	3,451	9,026	12,142	80	183	2,990	4,478
1959	6,349	8,492	2,474	3,521	8,823	12,013	86	171	3,135	4,624
1960	7,180	9,559	2,598	3,713	9,778	13,272	94	199	3,289	4,862
1961	4,221	6,111	2,391	3,528	6,612	9,639	79	172	3,110	4,779
1962	4,482	6,556	2,586	3,685	7,068	10,241	83	177	3,425	5,077
<u>1962 -</u> 4 Months ended April	1,389	1,995	799	1,188	2,188	3,183	29	75	1,025	1,615
<u>1963 -</u> 4 Months ended April	1,520	2,215	951	1,339	2,470	3,554	33	62	1,215	1,776
<u>1962</u> April	364	515	169	268	533	783	8	20	225	396
May	392	585	216	303	608	888	9	17	275	403
June	352	510	216	297	568	807	9	16	272	397
July	430	621	230	317	660	938	6	9	330	454
August	349	545	185	261	534	806	5	10	246	354
September	394	569	208	298	602	867	5	7	265	396
October	392	580	220	315	612	895	5	11	292	424
November	408	573	239	338	647	911	8	15	305	449
December	375	578	272	368	647	946	7	17	414	585
<u>1963</u> January	312	491	221	311	533	802	7	12	283	419
February	346	500	196	279	541	779	9	20	250	365
March	395	544	268	381	663	925	6	15	349	513
April	467	680	266	368	733	1,048	11	15	333	479

(a) Non-casualty accidents prior to 1961 exclude those where estimated damage was £10 or less; from January, 1961 they exclude those where estimated damage was £25 or less.

AVERAGE PRICES OF FRUIT AND VEGETABLES (METROPOLITAN MARKETS)

Note - The average prices shown in this table have been computed from a systematic sample of auctioneers' records of fruit and vegetables sold on the auction floor at each sale conducted at the Metropolitan Markets. Where the volume of sales of a particular commodity in any month outside its recognized season does not reach a significant proportion of sales for the year, a price has not been shown.

Item	Unit	1962								1963				
		May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May
FRUIT		s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Lemons	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	15. 0	10. 4	10. 5	8. 1	9. 8	9. 4	12. 0	14. 3	15. 1	13. 1	17. 1	13. 0	11. 4
Oranges - Navel	bush.	36. 0	22. 2	27.11	31.11	35. 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30. 9
- Val.	bush.	30. 9	-	-	-	23.10	22. 7	21. 7	21. 8	24. 9	24. 9	32. 7	40. 5	-
Bananas - Local	lb.	11	1. 2	1. 1	1. 1	1. 1	1. 1	1. 0	1. 1	1. 3	10	11	1. 0	1. 2
Apples - G.Smith	bush.	26. 0	28. 5	32. 5	30.11	49. 9	51. 6	49. 6	49. 1	-	-	-	16.10	16. 3
- Other	bush.	34. 0	37. 8	48. 2	54.10	62. 3	64. 0	57. 8	57. 5	31. 1	22. 0	22.10	19.10	22. 9
Pears	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	20. 2	25. 6	22. 4	-	-	-	-	-	23.10	18. 2	15. 9	17. 5	18. 8
Apricots	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	-	-	-	-	-	-	40. 0	30. 8	36. 3	-	-	-	-
Nectarines	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28. 1	26. 2	-	-	-
Plums	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35.10	27. 8	18. 0	28. 0	35. 0	-
Peaches	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23. 5	29.10	20.10	30. 6	-	-
Grapes	Open flat cases	27. 0	-	-	-	-	-	-	33. 0	25. 4	17. 0	23. 8	27. 7	-
VEGETABLES														
Cabbage	crate	4.11	5.11	14. 2	10. 2	12. 0	8. 3	4. 7	4. 5	10. 8	8. 0	9. 0	9. 8	8.10
Cauliflowers	dozen	16. 0	24. 1	24. 1	9. 2	10. 5	22.11	18. 1	17. 2	-	17.10	17. 2	24. 2	20. 3
Lettuce	crate	7.10	9. 9	20. 5	12.10	5. 9	5.11	6. 2	11. 1	11. 7	11. 7	14. 1	14.11	9. 9
Table Celery	doz.head	4. 6	4. 7	7. 2	9. 0	8. 5	7. 7	10. 9	7. 7	9. 9	10.11	10. 0	9. 2	7. 2
Beetroot	cwt.	23. 5	23. 3	33. 6	31. 9	39.10	39. 6	22. 6	16. 9	20.11	25. 3	55. 3	64. 3	34. 2
Carrots	cwt.	30. 1	23. 6	19.10	20. 7	26. 0	35. 4	34. 8	31. 1	57. 1	54.11	69. 8	52. 2	26. 0
Parsnips	cwt.	66. 1	63. 8	47. 8	40. 9	35. 0	38.11	28. 4	33. 9	44. 2	49. 0	68. 4	60. 4	44. 0
Turnips	$\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.bag	6. 3	8. 7	17. 3	7. 6	4.10	5. 2	5. 2	5.10	6.11	13. 9	13. 0	6.11	8. 6
Swedes	cwt.	34. 7	42. 0	35. 9	28. 6	24. 0	32. 6	24.10	23. 4	39. 3	52.11	64. 3	61.10	50. 6
Runner Beans	lb.	1. 0	1. 2	1. 2	1. 5	1. 3	1. 1	10	8	8	10	8	7	9
Peas	lb.	1. 4	1. 8	1. 7	1. 1	10	10	10	10	1.11	1. 8	1. 4	1. 3	1. 8
Sweet Potatoes	lb.	4	4	5	5	6	5	4	4	5	5	4	4	4
Pumpkin	bag	20. 4	20. 2	21.10	19. 2	21.11	21. 3	25. 2	38. 9	48. 4	26. 8	17. 2	19. 8	18. 1
Tomatoes	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	10. 1	25.11	33. 1	27. 8	21. 3	24. 2	27. 8	23. 8	21.10	21. 3	25. 0	26.10	26.11
		£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.
Onions (a)	ton	50. 0.0	55. 0.0	55. 0.0	50. 0.0	40. 0.0	(b)	(b)	30. 0.0	25. 0.0	35. 0.0	35. 0.0	30. 0.0	35. 0.0
Potatoes (c)	ton	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0

(a) W.A. Onion Marketing Board's price to Merchants, delivered Metropolitan Area.

(b) Onion Pool closed.

(c) W.A. Potato Marketing Board's price to Merchants, F.O.R. Perth.

AVERAGE PRICES PER HEAD OF LIVESTOCK - GOOD QUALITY - SOLD AT THE MIDLAND JUNCTION SALEYARDS

Note - A price has not been shown where the volume of sales of a particular item was not significant for that month.

Item	1962								1963				
	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May
SHEEP	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
Suckers	-	4.16. 5	5. 1. 8	3.17. 1	3. 2. 9	3. 1.10	3. 5. 3	3. 2. 1	-	-	-	-	-
Lambs													
In Wool	4.16. 0	5.12. 8	5. 9. 0	3.19. 7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.11. 0	4.18. 4
Shorn	4. 0. 6	4.10. 8	4. 4.10	3. 4. 2	-	2.10. 2	3. 0. 7	3. 9. 1	3.12. 6	4. 1. 5	3.17. 0	3.16. 0	4. 1. 7
Hoggets													
In Wool	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shorn	3.16. 9	-	-	-	2.12. 3	2.12. 6	2.16.11	-	3. 6. 0	3.15. 8	3.12. 1	-	-
Ewes													
In Wool	-	3.16. 8	3.18.10	3. 4. 7	-	2. 6. 5	-	-	-	-	3. 8. 7	3. 8. 5	4. 2.10
Shorn	3. 4. 8	2.18.10	2.16. 2	2. 3. 4	1.18. 9	1.14. 0	1.14. 7	1.14. 2	2. 6. 0	2.12. 0	2.15. 7	2.18.10	3. 4. 6
Wethers													
In Wool	3.15. 9	4. 6. 0	4.14. 3	3.18. 0	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.18. 0	3.19.10	4.12. 5
Shorn	3. 5. 6	3. 3. 8	3.11. 8	2. 8. 0	2.10. 8	2. 6. 8	2. 7.10	2. 7. 4	2.16. 4	3. 1. 7	3. 6. 0	3. 3. 4	3. 6. 2
CATTLE													
Baby Beef	34.19. 4	36. 6. 3	35.18. 9	38.14. 6	38.14. 4	37.13.10	34. 9. 4	32.19. 1	32.10. 9	31. 8. 8	31.16. 5	33. 3. 6	35. 4. 3
Heifers	36. 6. 6	40.16. 0	43.10.11	42.14.10	40.14.11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cows	42. 6. 9	45.10. 5	42.10. 8	45.18. 7	43. 8. 8	40.12. 0	39.14. 0	38.18. 1	39.12. 3	38.16. 0	41. 0. 4	41. 4. 1	44. 5. 0
Steers	45.16. 2	54. 0.10	52. 5. 3	50. 3. 7	49.14. 7	44. 8. 0	45. 8. 9	45.12.11	44.10.10	43.17. 9	43.17. 5	43.15. 6	49.11. 9
Bullocks	-	63. 9. 3	56.16. 4	58.14. 7	52.12. 0	51. 2. 5	53.15. 5	53.19. 9	55. 7. 6	-	-	-	54.10. 2
PIGS													
Slips	-	-	3.15. 0	4.15. 6	6. 1. 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Porkers	8. 3.11	8.17. 6	8.17.10	9. 9. 6	10.12. 7	10.15. 0	11. 3. 4	10.11. 0	10.15. 2	11. 4. 0	10.14. 7	9.17.11	10.11. 8
Baconers	11.14. 1	12.18. 6	13.16. 2	14. 8.11	14.16.11	15.11. 4	16. 2. 7	15. 5. 8	15. 9. 2	15.13. 0	15.16. 2	15.10. 1	15.18. 6

AVERAGE PRICES OF POULTRY PER LB. (LIVEWEIGHT) - SOLD AT THE METROPOLITAN MARKETS

Turkey Hens	3. 2	3. 3	3. 4	3. 4	3. 3	2.10	2.10	3. 1	-	-	2. 9	2. 3	2. 6
" Cocks	3. 1	3. 3	3. 3	3. 3	3. 2	3. 1	3. 0	3. 0	-	-	2. 3	2. 2	2. 6
Ducks	1.10	1.11	2. 2	2. 3	2. 6	2. 8	2.11	3. 5	2. 4	2. 3	2. 3	2. 0	2. 1
Drakes	1.10	2. 0	2. 1	2. 3	2. 6	2. 9	3. 1	3. 4	2. 4	2. 4	2. 3	2. 1	2. 2
Geese	2. 0	1.10	-	1. 8	-	1. 7	-	2. 0	-	-	-	-	-
Cockerels	2.10	2. 9	2. 9	2. 8	2. 6	2. 5	2. 7	2. 5	2. 1	2. 1	2. 6	2. 9	2. 8
Capons	3. 0	3. 0	2.11	2.10	2. 8	2. 6	2. 7	2. 6	2. 3	2. 2	2. 8	2.10	2. 9
Hens	1.11	2. 0	2. 0	2. 0	2. 0	2. 0	1.11	2. 0	1.11	1.11	1.11	2. 0	2. 0

INSTALMENT CREDIT OPERATIONS OF RETAIL BUSINESSES AND NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES
(£'000)

Period	Amount Financed during period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance)				Balances Outstanding at end of period (including Hiring Charges, etc.)
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.	Plant and Machinery	Household and Personal Goods (a)	Total (All Goods)	
HIRE PURCHASE					
1960-61	14,568	2,021	7,919	24,508	38,157
1961-62	15,255	2,641	6,656	24,552	38,329
Quarters -					
1961 - December	3,528	1,048	2,021	6,597	38,790
1962 - March	3,840	595	1,450	5,885	37,166
June	4,729	618	1,463	6,810	38,329
September	4,897	431	1,587	6,915	39,933
December	5,046	1,225	1,747	8,018	42,659
ALL OTHER INSTALMENT CREDIT (b)					
1960-61	1,155	43	6,492	7,690	5,982
1961-62	1,194	50	6,247	7,491	8,213
Quarters -					
1961 - December	240	11	1,614	1,865	7,006
1962 - March	352	11	1,445	1,808	7,435
June	379	14	1,682	2,075	8,213
September	435	1	1,491	1,927	8,582
December	420	13	1,587	2,020	8,723
TOTAL INSTALMENT CREDIT					
1960-61	15,723	2,064	14,411	32,198	44,139
1961-62	16,449	2,691	12,903	32,043	46,542
Quarters -					
1961 - December	3,768	1,059	3,635	8,462	45,796
1962 - March	4,192	606	2,895	7,693	44,601
June	5,108	632	3,145	8,885	46,542
September	5,332	432	3,078	8,842	48,515
December	5,466	1,238	3,334	10,038	51,382

(a) See footnote (a) below. (b) Includes Time Payment, Budget Account, Personal Loan Schemes, etc.

INSTALMENT CREDIT OPERATIONS OF NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES
(£'000)

Period	Amount Financed during period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance)				Collections during period (including Hiring Charges etc.)	Balances Outstanding at end of period (incl. Hiring Charges, etc.)	
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.		Plant and Machinery	Household and Personal Goods (a)			Total (All Goods)
	New	Used					
1960-61	13,491		1,565	2,561	17,617	20,570	25,618
1961-62	14,350		2,306	2,418	19,077	22,455	27,239
1962 - March	710	613	255	163	1,741	1,915	25,479
April	669	647	197	153	1,666	1,549	26,000
May	995	728	211	198	2,132	1,861	26,768
June	757	756	126	186	1,825	1,661	27,239
July	755	855	104	149	1,863	1,755	27,903
August	636	880	115	195	1,826	1,795	28,421
September	785	833	147	207	1,972	1,793	29,048
October	864	905	381	204	2,354	1,998	30,237
November	896	847	522	209	2,474	1,728	31,384
December	716	730	215	231	1,892	1,732	31,896
1963 - January	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	32,100(c)
February							31,300(c)
March							31,700(c)

(a) Includes furniture and furnishings, domestic refrigerators, electrical goods, radios, musical instruments, bicycles and other household and personal goods. (b) Not yet available. (c) Preliminary estimates, subject to revision.

RETAIL SALES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO COMMODITY GROUPS

(£ million)

Period	Groceries	Butchers' Meat	Other Food-stuffs, Soft Drinks	Beer, Wine and Spirits	Clothing, Drapery, Soft Furnishings	Footwear	Hardware, China and Glassware (a)	Electrical Goods, Pianos, etc.	Furniture, Floor Coverings, Mattresses	Chemists' Goods	News-papers, Books, Stationery	Other Goods (b)	Total (excl. Motor Vehicles, etc.)	Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc. (c)
1957-58	27.4	12.0	19.4	19.5	28.6(d)	(d)	4.2	8.2	6.5	(e)	(e)	23.2(e)	149.0	51.8
1958-59	27.8	11.3	19.4	18.1	24.8	4.3	4.3	8.6	6.3	5.8	4.7	13.3	148.7	50.7
1959-60	29.6	11.9	21.6	18.9	27.1	4.7	4.7	13.4	7.3	6.3	4.7	14.6	164.8	59.5
1960-61	30.9	12.9	22.6	20.3	27.4	4.9	4.8	14.8	7.5	7.0	4.7	15.4	173.2	61.2
1961-62	32.6	13.5	23.8	20.7	28.7	5.1	5.0	14.0	8.0	7.8	5.0	16.2	180.4	67.1
Sept. Qr.														
1957	6.6	3.1	4.5	4.2	6.7(d)	(d)	1.1	1.9	1.6	(e)	(e)	5.7(e)	35.4	12.7
1958	6.8	2.9	4.5	4.0	5.9	1.0	1.0	1.9	1.6	1.3	1.1	3.2	35.2	12.1
1959	7.2	3.0	4.9	4.1	6.3	1.1	1.1	2.4	1.6	1.5	1.1	3.3	37.6	13.4
1960	7.3	3.1	5.2	4.3	6.7	1.2	1.2	3.7	2.0	1.6	1.1	3.6	41.0	16.5
1961	8.1	3.4	5.6	4.4	7.1	1.2	1.2	3.5	1.9	1.9	1.1	3.8	43.2	15.2
1962	8.1	3.5	5.9	4.7	7.2	1.3	1.3	3.4	2.1	2.1	1.2	4.0	44.8	19.0
Dec. Qr.														
1957	7.2	3.0	5.0	5.3	8.5(d)	(d)	1.2	2.6	1.8	(e)	(e)	6.7(e)	41.3	13.5
1958	7.4	2.8	5.0	5.1	7.1	1.2	1.2	2.9	1.7	1.6	1.3	4.0	41.3	13.2
1959	7.7	2.9	5.6	5.2	7.7	1.3	1.3	3.5	2.0	1.7	1.3	4.3	44.5	15.5
1960	8.2	3.2	5.9	5.7	7.9	1.4	1.4	4.0	2.2	1.9	1.3	4.6	47.7	16.7
1961	8.8	3.4	6.1	5.8	8.0	1.4	1.4	4.0	2.2	2.1	1.4	4.7	49.3	16.8
1962	8.8	3.7	6.5	6.0	8.5	1.5	1.5	3.8	2.3	2.4	1.5	5.0	51.5	20.5
March Qr.														
1958	6.7	2.9	5.0	5.4	6.0(d)	(d)	0.9	2.0	1.5	(e)	(e)	5.6(e)	36.0	12.6
1959	6.7	2.7	5.2	4.9	5.1	0.9	1.0	2.0	1.4	1.4	1.2	3.0	35.5	12.6
1960	7.2	2.9	5.8	5.1	5.9	1.0	1.1	3.5	1.8	1.5	1.2	3.4	40.4	14.9
1961	7.6	3.2	6.1	5.8	5.6	1.0	1.1	3.4	1.6	1.7	1.2	3.5	41.8	13.8
1962	7.7	3.3	6.3	5.8	6.1	1.1	1.2	3.4	1.9	1.9	1.3	3.8	43.8	16.7
June Qr.														
1958	6.9	3.0	4.9	4.6	7.4(d)	(d)	1.0	1.7	1.6	(e)	(e)	5.2(e)	36.3	13.0
1959	6.9	2.9	4.7	4.1	6.7	1.2	1.1	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.1	3.1	36.7	12.8
1960	7.5	3.1	5.3	4.5	7.2	1.3	1.2	4.0	1.9	1.6	1.1	3.6	42.3	15.7
1961	7.8	3.4	5.4	4.5	7.2	1.3	1.1	3.7	1.7	1.8	1.1	3.7	42.7	14.2
1962	8.0	3.4	5.8	4.7	7.5	1.4	1.2	3.1	2.0	1.9	1.2	3.9	44.1	18.4

(a) Excludes basic building materials, Builders' Hardware and Supplies, e.g. Tools of Trade, Paint, etc. (b) Includes Tobacco, Cigarettes, Jewellery, Sporting Goods, etc. but excludes Grain and Produce and Business Machines. (c) Excludes Tractors, Farm Machinery and Implements, Earth-moving Equipment, etc. (d) Footwear is included with Clothing, Drapery, Soft Furnishings. (e) Chemists' Goods and Papers, Books, Stationery are included with Other Goods.

COMMODITIES PRODUCED

Item	Unit	APRIL		Ten Months ended APRIL	
		1963	1962	1963	1962
<u>Building Materials, etc.</u>					
Bath Heaters - solid fuel	number	493	594	4,223	4,064
Bricks - Standard all types	'000	10,783	9,752	106,134	97,470
Fibrous Plaster - Sheets	'000 sq. yds.	121	118	1,274	1,157
" " - Acoustic Tiles	sq. yd.	2,404	3,252	16,995	23,427
Lime (Quicklime)	ton	2,917	2,109	25,803	23,075
Plaster of Paris	"	1,533	1,521	16,866	14,444
Ready-Mixed Paints and Enamels excluding Water Paints	gallon	38,540	34,204	377,093	340,921
Timber, Sawn (from Local Logs) (a)	'000 super. ft.	12,443	11,937	153,391	159,738
<u>Clothing</u>					
Pyjamas, Woven - Men's and Boys'	dozen	1,640	1,254	9,464	8,014
Shirts (all types) - Men's and Boys'	"	3,755	4,086	45,420	46,347
Suits - Men's - 2 & 3 piece	number	734	922	8,854	11,124
Trousers - Men's - Sport	"	6,219	8,102	89,488	84,962
- Work	"	10,455	12,434	92,175	114,391
<u>Footwear</u>					
Boots, Shoes and Sandals (all types)	pair	39,688	37,222	576,979	521,575
Slippers	"	9,871	10,067	103,748	99,759
<u>Food and Drink</u>					
Aerated Waters	'000 gallons	450	350	5,248	5,082
Cordials and Syrups	gallon	17,864	13,892	259,181	277,510
Bacon and Ham	'000 lb.	787	705	7,599	6,450
Butter	"	303	317	13,473	14,787
Cheese	"	(c)	84	(c)	2,724
Flour (excl. Self-raising Flour)	ton (2,000 lb.)	9,533	8,933	111,850	125,982
<u>Miscellaneous</u>					
Acid - Sulphuric	ton	25,142	24,946	224,466	192,281
Coal	"	61,665	60,292	756,198	754,226
Electricity Generated	'000 kwh	96,880	88,429	1,001,487	916,437
Gas (Town) Produced	million cub. ft.	111	111	1,146	1,159
Mattresses - Soft Filled (b)	number	3,009	2,395	32,495	25,271
Pig Iron	ton	3,938	3,599	37,866	41,749
Superphosphate	"	70,829	69,082	634,683	526,618
Wool-Scoured	'000 lb.	1,934	2,483	24,612	26,818

(a) Includes plywood veneers in terms of super. feet.

(b) Includes mattresses of rubber, plastic foam and sponge, but excludes inner-spring mattresses.

(c) Not available for publication.

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